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The 2017 INHAA Convention and Trade Show
NOVEMBER 9-10,
Springfield Crowne Plaza

Hear the Latest Topics and Trends from Front-Line Experts on How to Have a Winning Team in Your Facility.

- Be a Champion with Emergency Preparedness
- Ins and Outs of Involuntary Discharge
- Making a Home Run with Person Centered Care
- Winning with Dietary Innovations
- Recruiting the Right Electronic Documentation System
- The Newest Game Changers - CMS Rules of Participation
- Beating the Active Shooter
- Keep It Fair with Wound Care
- Cross the Finish Line with Quality Dementia Care
- Avoid Errors through Forensic Wound Assessment
- What's New with IDPH, HFS, DD, ALF and SLF

Keynote Speaker, Paul Mellor, author of *MEMORY! How to Remember Anything*, was a finalist in the USA Memory Championship where he recalled the names of over 90 people in 15 minutes and recalled the exact order of a deck of shuffled playing cards in under 4 minutes. You too can learn techniques that will help you be successful in the memory game.

11 CEs are available for administrators and nursing directors, 80 Trade Show exhibitors and separate programs for SNF & NF, DD, ALF & SLF.

Brochure Coming in September

BRING A NON-MEMBER ADMINISTRATOR TO A CONFERENCE FOR FREE

Are you a member in good standing of INHAA for the past ten years? If you are, you are invited to bring a fellow non-member administrator with you to a conference this year for free. INHAA invites you to share your experience as an INHAA member with administrators who have not yet attended INHAA conferences.

HFS LINK FOR MANAGED CARE INFORMATION

There was a lot of interest expressed at the August Conference during Kelly Cunningham's presentation on the Department's Managed Care plans, procurement activities, etc. Kelly sent the following link below which contains information posted on the HFS website that might be useful to members.

<https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/MedicaidManagedCareRFP/Pages/default.aspx>

CMS IS REMOVING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS FROM MEDICARE CARDS

CMS is removing Social Security Numbers from Medicare cards to help fight identity theft and safeguard taxpayer dollars. In previous messages, CMS said that providers must be ready by April 2018 for the change from the Social Security Number based Health Insurance Claim Number to the randomly generated Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (the new Medicare number). Up to now, CMS referred to this work as the Social Security Number Removal Initiative (SSNRI). Moving forward, CMS will refer to this project as the New Medicare Card. To help you find information quickly, CMS designed a new homepage linking providers to the latest details, including how to [talk to your Medicare patients](#) about the new Medicare Card. Bookmark the [New Medicare Card](#) homepage and [Provider](#) webpage, and visit often, so you have the information you need to be ready by April 1, 2018.

NEW REPORT BY OIG REPORTS 25% OF ABUSE CASES ARE NOT REPORTED.

Illinois is singled out in a new OIG report that states 25% of abuse cases are not reported to CMS. Illinois has the highest number of unreported abuse cases at 17 during 2015-2016. A comparison was done of emergency reports of nursing home residents and abuse reported to CMS. An early alert was issued stating: *The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Has Inadequate Procedures to Ensure That Incidents of Potential Abuse or Neglect at Skilled Nursing Facilities Are Identified and Reported in Accordance With Applicable Requirements (A-01-17-00504)*

The Medicare Fraud Control Unit will be conducting audits with the objectives to (1) *identify incidents of potential abuse or neglect of Medicare beneficiaries residing in SNFs and (2) determine whether these incidents were reported and investigated in accordance with applicable requirements.*

OIG's study of adverse events in SNFs found that an estimated 22 percent of Medicare beneficiaries experienced adverse events during their SNF stays. These adverse events included infections, pressure ulcers, and medication-induced bleeding. Medical record review determined that 69 percent of these patient-harm events could have been prevented had the SNF provided better care. The complete report can be viewed [here](#).

BURDEN OF CMS DOCUMENTATION MAY BE EASED

CMS Administrator Seema Verma stated that CMS is currently working on initiatives to be announced in coming months that will "ease the burden our government places on healthcare providers," according to Verma in her [blog post published Tuesday](#), "We have heard time and again that documentation for payment and for quality reporting is unnecessarily time-consuming and keeps clinicians working late into the night just to keep up on paperwork. Electronic health records that were supposed to make providers' lives easier by freeing up more time to spend on patient care have distanced them from their

patients. New payment structures that were meant to increase coordination have added yet another layer of rules and requirements.

No one went into medicine to become a paperwork expert. We are listening, integrating the feedback we hear into our work at CMS, and making changes that will make it easier for doctors, nurses, and other clinicians to do what they entered medicine to do: take care of those in need.”

EMPLOYMENT ALLEY LICENSED ADMINISTRATORS

Generations Healthcare Network (a long term care consultant company) is looking for Licensed Administrators.

Generations provides consultant services to skilled nursing facilities in Chicago, Chicago Suburbs, Byron, Rock Island, Illinois and Auburn, Indiana.

Our Website: www.generationshealthcarenetwork.com

Qualifications:

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- Proven leadership and management in the Post Acute/Long Term Care arena.

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DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Illinois Veterans Home - Manteno is looking for a highly motivated candidate to supervise the overall nursing operations. Candidate must be licensed by the State of Illinois with 3 -5 years' experience working in a skilled facility as a DON or ADON. Has knowledge of State and Federal requirements and the survey process. Strong communication, organizational and leadership skills. Knowledge of point click care EHR system a plus. Interested candidates should email a resume to H R: ieri.gulli2@illinois.gov

INTERIM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Licensed nursing home administrator offers interim and consulting services to facilities with needs. My services allow management to conduct search for qualified administrator while facility is operated competently. References. Harry Poole 1-618-806-2125. HPoole1947@gmail.com

Employment Alley is published monthly for members and business members. The cost for non-members is \$30 a month - \$50 for two months - \$70 for three months. A business member listing is \$25 for one month - \$40 for two months - \$55 for three months. Send your approximate 55-word ad and payment to INHAA, PO Box 483, North Aurora, IL 60542 or fax it to 708-248-8078. For further

information, call Susan Gardiner at 708-800-6161.

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